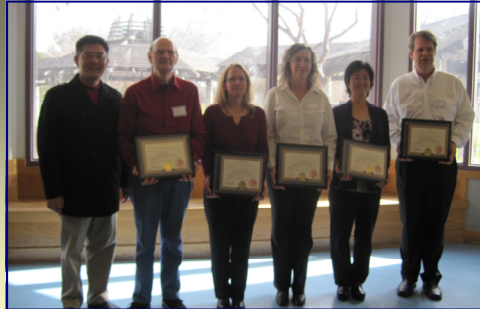




Councilmember Chu with the Bag Monster at San José City Hall.



Councilmember Chu with this year's District 4 Outstanding Residents Honorees.



Van Lang Vietnamese School & Berryessa Chinese School accept the Lunar New Year Proclamation at City Council.

## Newsletter

### DOOR TO DOOR IN DISTRICT 4

#### A MESSAGE FROM COUNCILMEMBER CHU

Dear District 4 Neighbors,

As Co-Chair of the Silicon Valley Anti-Litter Campaign, I would like to invite District 4 community members to do their part in helping to keep San Jose clean, improve the environment, and contribute to a better quality of life by volunteering in the **2011 Great American Litter Pick-Up**. The event will take place on Saturday, March 19, 2011 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Kick off locations will be at the Berryessa Community Center and Alviso Youth Center.

The Great American Litter Pick Up event is part of a national effort to help keep our country beautiful. This is an annual event where hundreds of volunteers citywide come out to help pick up litter in their neighborhoods. At the Great American Litter Pick-Up, the City of San José will provide the litter clean up supplies: gloves, pick-up sticks, safety vest, and trash and recycling bags. A lunch celebration at the Berryessa Community Center and the Alviso Youth Center will be organized for volunteers on that day as well.

Last year's event was a success in District 4! Out of over 2,000 volunteers in the City of San José, District 4 had over 420 volunteers and a total of over 160 bags of litter and recyclables picked up! Let's continue the success and show the City how dedicated our community is to keeping our neighborhoods clean! Please contact my office at 535-4904 or email [district4@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:district4@sanjoseca.gov) for more information or if you are interested in volunteering. I hope that we can all continue to take pride in our City and do what we can to keep it clean and beautiful.

Best Regards,



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Chris Moore

### Sign up for regular email updates from District 4

Email [district4@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:district4@sanjoseca.gov) so you can be added to the email list.

District 4 Website: <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/district4>

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## NEWS ON CITY AND STATE REDISTRICTING PLANS

In January 2011, the City Council appointed 11 community members to the City's Redistricting Advisory Commission. This spring, the City of San Jose will receive data from the 2010 Census which triggers the City's requirement to redraw boundaries for City Council Districts. These boundaries determine which Council District represents each resident, and ensures equal representation for San José residents.

The Redistricting Advisory Commission will conduct at least 3 public hearings and submit its recommendations to the City Council. The City Council must enact an ordinance establishing the new Council District boundaries no later than October 31, 2011. I am pleased to announce that I have selected Mike Flaughter as the District 4 representative to the Redistricting Advisory Commission. I believe Mike's knowledge and understanding of the city's boundaries and resources will make him a good representative for District 4. In the coming weeks, my office, in collaboration with the Berryessa Citizens Advisory Council and North Valley Community Association, will be hosting a community meeting regarding the redistricting process and how it affects the District 4 community. This will be the first of a series of meetings to receive public input on redistricting issues and interests.

The State is also undergoing a similar process. The California Citizens Redistricting Commission is a 14-member Commission charged with redrawing California's Senate, Assembly, State Board of Equalization, and Congressional districts based on information gathered during the 2010 Census.

On Tuesday, January 11, 2011, Mayor Reed and I wrote a letter to the Commission to invite them to San Jose to host one of their upcoming meetings. We believe that our residents should have the opportunity to express concerns to ensure that the process will create districts that provide fair and equal representation. Our city is currently split among four State Assembly Districts, three State Senate Districts and two U.S. House of Representative Districts, and in a number of instances, these districts have split up neighborhoods and diminished our community's voice.

The California Citizens Redistricting Commission held their first meeting in Sacramento on January 12, 2011 and will be deciding on dates and locations of meetings to obtain testimony. My office will be providing updates regarding the redistricting process once we receive further information.

## WELCOME POLICE CHIEF CHRIS MOORE



Councilmember Chu with Police Chief Chris Moore and Deputy Chief Phan Ngo at Santa Clara County's Lunar New Year Flag Raising ceremony.

On February 1, 2011, the City Council confirmed the appointment of Chris Moore as San José's 9th Chief of Police since 1912.

Police Chief Moore has been with the San José Police Department for 25 years and replaces Rob Davis who retired in November. Police Chief Moore has an extensive lifelong history in Public Safety in San José, beginning in 1985 with a steady rise through the ranks, holding numerous assignments including Patrol, Patrol Administration, Street Crimes, Internal Affairs, Burglary, Community Services Systems Development, Field Training and Department Spokesperson.

I am confident that Chief Moore will serve the community and Police Department of more than 1600 sworn officers. I look forward to working with Chief Moore and am confident in his ability to lead the Police Department and strengthen community relations.





## Neighborhood Groups

**Alviso Neighborhood Group**  
Meets every 1st Thursday at  
6PM at Alviso Library  
Contact: Betty Brown  
[betty@maileater.net](mailto:betty@maileater.net)

**Alviso Water Taskforce**  
Meets every 2nd Tuesday  
at 6PM at the  
Alviso Library  
[www.alvisowater.org](http://www.alvisowater.org)  
Contact: [alvisowater@gmail.com](mailto:alvisowater@gmail.com)

**Berryessa Citizens  
Advisory Council**  
Meets every 2nd Monday  
at 7PM at the  
Berryessa Community Ctr  
Contact: Marc Liebman  
[marc.liebman@busd.net](mailto:marc.liebman@busd.net)

**North Valley  
Community Association**  
Meets every 3rd Monday at  
7PM at the Berryessa  
Library  
Contact: Chris Zhou  
[czhou911@yahoo.com](mailto:czhou911@yahoo.com)

**River Oaks  
Neighborhood Association**  
Meets every odd month  
Location TBA  
Contact: Jean Marlowe  
[jean@jeanmarlowe.com](mailto:jean@jeanmarlowe.com)

**Townsend Park  
Neighborhood Association**  
Meets twice yearly  
Location TBA  
Contact: Lori Wallace  
[lori\\_wp@yahoo.com](mailto:lori_wp@yahoo.com)

## SAN JOSE CITY BUDGET UPDATE



As the City begins discussions regarding next year's budget, I want to keep our residents up-to-date on what the City is doing and encourage District 4 residents to learn about, and personally impact, the 2011-2012 Budget.

The City of San José continues to face significant fiscal challenges. Our current estimated general fund shortfall was initially estimated at \$70 million and has since grown to approximately \$110 million at this time. The City Council will face many challenges and tough choices in the coming months as we look to balance the budget for the upcoming fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2011.

For the past several years, the City of San José has engaged in several opportunities to solicit early community input in the budget process. In January, the City conducted a public survey and organized a conference on priorities with neighborhood leaders in order to provide input and feedback on their budget priorities. Feedback collected from our residents will assist the City Council in determining what the priorities should be for the City. In the coming months, there will be a series of public meetings and study sessions where the City Council will discuss the upcoming year's budget proposals and priorities and my office will send information as they become available. I encourage you to visit the District 4 website frequently for the latest news and updates.

As always, I ask you for your assistance to help me and the City Council understand your priorities by sharing with us your thoughts on how we should create a balanced budget that addresses the fundamental issues of our City, while remaining fiscally responsible. If you would like to share ideas about ways the city can save money or generate revenue, please email me at [district4@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:district4@sanjoseca.gov).

### WANT TO PARTICIPATE?

#### **PRIORITY SETTING STUDY SESSION**

**City Hall Council Chambers**

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2010

1:30 PM-5:00 PM

**Follow Budget Updates at:**

[www.sanjoseca.gov/budget](http://www.sanjoseca.gov/budget)

[www.sanjoseca.gov/district4](http://www.sanjoseca.gov/district4)



## PHOTOS FROM THE DISTRICT



Attendees enjoyed a full breakfast, gift giveaways and free photos with Santa at this year's Breakfast with Santa Event.



Morrill Middle School's Choir kicks off the First Annual District 4 Community Recognition Event honoring District 4 Residents with a full breakfast served by the San José Retired Police and Firefighters Association.



## A WORD FROM OUR YOUTH COMMISSIONER

The District 4 YAC held their first ever Youth Bill of Responsibilities forum at the Berryessa Community Center on January 22, 2011. At this discussion, about 20 youth contributed input as to what they believe youth are responsible for. With their suggestions, the Youth Commission will now be able to create their third draft of the document, which will soon be presented to City Council.

Aside from the District 4 YAC, the San Jose Youth Commission as a whole has been making progress on planning their fourth annual Youth Conference in March. Additionally, the Budget ad hoc working team has been helping with the re-use program selection and creating a proposal for the next fiscal year. This 2010-2011 year has been filled with many activities and will continue to be just as active.

If you know of any youth from ages 14-21 in District 4 who would like to make a difference in their community and contribute to the voice of the youth, please refer them to me or feel free to attend our monthly meetings.

Kasey Ong  
D4 Youth Commissioner  
ong.kasey@yahoo.com

Meetings: Every 2nd Tuesday of the month from 4:30-5:30PM at the Berryessa Community Center



District 4's Youth Advisory Council at the first ever Youth Bill of Responsibilities forum.



A District 4 Youth Advisory Council volunteer serving breakfast at this year's Breakfast with Santa event.



## DISTRICT 4 DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

### DISTRICT 4 YOUTH COMMISSIONER VACANCY

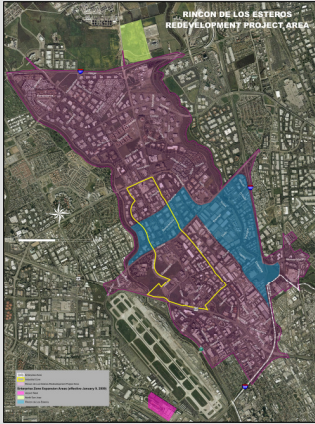
Councilmember Chu is looking for District 4's next Youth Commissioner. The San Jose Youth Commission was designed to support the development of youth who are willing and able to serve their communities through active civic participation and constructive decision-making.

The Youth Commission is an appointed body of 11 youth, 14-20 years old, modeled after the San Jose City Council. Their functioning purpose is to provide youth input and perspective on community issues identified by Youth Advisory Councils and other youth constituents to their civic partners, the Mayor and City Council.

Youth interested in the District 4 Youth Commission vacancy is encouraged to apply with the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services by **Friday, March 25, 2011 at 5:00PM.**

To inquire about this vacancy and apply, please visit District 4's website at [www.sanjoseca.gov/district4](http://www.sanjoseca.gov/district4).

### REDEVELOPMENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN NORTH SAN JOSE



For the past several decades, the San Jose Redevelopment Agency has played a vital part in North San Jose's economic growth and development. From attracting and retaining companies to investing in infrastructure, the Agency has revitalized North San Jose as a vibrant economic area in San Jose.

Since 1977, the San Jose Redevelopment Agency has invested \$174 million in public infrastructure in the Innovation Triangle area. Investments include \$18 million for Route 87 improvements, \$30 million in flood control upgrades, \$12 million in improvements to the Brokaw Road - U.S. 101 undercrossing, and \$6 million for new Tasman Drive bridges at Guadalupe River and Coyote Creek. Such improvements in the public infrastructure have stimulated private investment and development in the area.

Major employers that have moved their headquarters to or expanded in North San Jose include Cisco Systems, Novellus, Altera, Atmel, Brocade Communication Systems, Cadence Design Systems, Canon, Seimens, Agilent, eBay, Cypress Semiconductor, and Ericsson. The Agency has also attracted and retained over 3,400 employees by providing \$5.6 million in incentives to Brocade Communications, Intermolecular, Solar Junction, SolFocus, and Ultratech. The Agency recently announced the relocation of SunPower to accommodate their planned expansion, and announced that Maxim Integrated Products will relocate to North San José.

Ongoing and future plans to promote economic activity, livability, and long-term vitality of North San Jose are detailed in the North San Jose Area Development Policy, created with the assistance of the Redevelopment Agency and approved by the San Jose City Council in 2005. The policy encourages and supports private development by increasing NSJ development capacity and identifying the necessary infrastructure improvements to achieve the development. It allows for the development of 26.7 million square feet of industrial space, which has the potential to create 83,000 new R&D and office jobs. The policy also allows for the development of an additional 1.7 million square feet of retail space, open space, parks, and facilities; 32,000 new high-density residential units; and significant improvements to the transportation system. Through these efforts, the Agency will continue to strive to improve the quality of life for all who live and work in North San Jose.





## City & Community Contacts

### City Hall Call Center

(408) 535-3500

### Abandoned Vehicles

(408) 277-5305

### Alviso Branch Library

(408) 263-3626

### Alviso Youth Center

(408) 586-7624

### Anti-Graffiti & Litter

(408) 277-2758

### Berryessa Branch Library

(408) 808-3050

### Berryessa Community &

#### Senior Center

(408) 251-6392

### Berryessa Youth Center

(408) 262-1014

### Code Enforcement

(408) 535-7770

### Crime Prevention

(408) 277-4133

### Garbage & Recycling

(408) 535-3515

### Parks & Recreation

(408) 535-3570

### Sidewalk Repair

(408) 277-3158

### Street Lights

(408) 277-5517

### Street Sweeping

(408) 277-2571

### Tree Trimming & Removal

(408) 277-2756

# Meet Your District 4 Team

## Stephanie Fong, District Director

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### FOCUS AREAS

Berryessa Neighborhood, Redevelopment, Parks & Recreation, Budget, Personnel, Youth, Internship Coordination, Web Content, & Constituent Services.

### COMMITTEES

Neighborhood Services & Education; Public Safety, Finance & Strategic Support.



## Margie Espinoza, Executive Assistant

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### FOCUS AREAS

Councilmember Scheduling, Office Administration, Constituent Services, and Event Planning.

## Kathy Duong, Policy Analyst

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### FOCUS AREAS

North Valley Neighborhood, North San José Neighborhood, Land Use, Environment, Economic Development, Web Content, Media Relations and Constituent Services.

### COMMITTEES

Transportation & Environment



## Rosa Santiago, Council Assistant

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### FOCUS AREAS

Alviso Neighborhood, Parks & Recreation, Trails, Community Centers, Libraries, Schools, Public Safety, Constituent Services, and Event Planning

### COMMITTEES

Neighborhood Services and Education; Public Safety, Finance and Strategic Support; Silicon Valley Anti-Litter Campaign

## Anh Tran, Council Assistant

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### FOCUS AREAS

Berryessa Neighborhood, Transportation, Housing, Environment, Mobilehome Communities, Code Enforcement, Neighborhood Watch, and Constituent Services.

### COMMITTEES

MTA Policy Advisory Committee, Santa Clara Valley Water Commission, Recycled Water Commission





## DISTRICT 4 EVENTS

For up-to-date event information, visit  
[sanjoseca.gov/district4](http://sanjoseca.gov/district4) and email  
[district4@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:district4@sanjoseca.gov) to receive e-Notices.

### 3 HAPPY LUNAR NEW YEAR!



## FEBRUARY

**5 LUNAR NEW YEAR EVENT**  
Celebration and Festival  
10:00AM-11:30AM  
Berryessa Branch Library  
3355 Noble Avenue

**14 STUDY SESSION**  
Budget Priorities Setting  
1:30PM-5:00PM  
San José City Hall  
200 East Santa Clara Street

**16 COMMUNITY OFFICE HOURS**  
6:00PM-7:00PM  
Berryessa Branch Library  
3355 Noble Avenue

**17 2011 STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS**  
6:00PM-7:30PM  
San José Civic Auditorium  
135 West San Carlos Street  
Doors open at 5:45PM



**21 PRESIDENTS DAY HOLIDAY**  
City Hall Closed

**8 ALVISO WATER TASKFORCE**  
Monthly Meeting  
6:00PM-8:00PM  
Alviso Branch Library  
Community Room  
5050 North First Street

**14 BERRYESSA CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
Monthly Meeting  
7:00PM  
Berryessa Community Ctr.  
3050 Berryessa Road

**16 COMMUNITY OFFICE HOURS**  
6:00PM-8:00PM  
Berryessa Branch Library  
3355 Noble Avenue  
Please call (408) 535-4904 to schedule a 15 appointment.

## MARCH

**19 GREAT AMERICAN LITTER PICK-UP**  
8:30AM-12:00PM  
Multiple Sites in District 4!  
Visit [sanjoseca.gov/district4](http://sanjoseca.gov/district4) for a location near you.

**27 WEST COAST AQUATICS CRAB FEED FUNDRAISER**  
2:00PM-5:00PM  
Independence High School  
1776 Educational Park Drive

**31 CESAR CHAVEZ HOLIDAY**  
City Hall Closed



The San José Horse Mounted Unit visits Alviso at the Santa Visits Alviso event.



A lion dancer kicks off the Vietnamese Flag Raising Ceremony at the Santa Clara County Building.



Councilmember Chu and wife Daisy welcomes Mexican Consul General and their new office to District 4.

Event dates are subject to change. Please contact the District 4 office at (408) 535-4904 to confirm events.

# VOLUNTEER IN DISTRICT 4!



## Wildlife Center of Silicon Valley

The Wildlife Center of Silicon Valley strives to provide high quality care and rehabilitation for injured, sick, and orphaned wildlife within the Silicon Valley Community. Volunteer to assist our wildlife!

**(408) 929-9453 • [www.wcsv.org](http://www.wcsv.org)**

## Adopt A Park Program

Adopt a Park Program strives to protect and enhance San José's neighborhood parks and open spaces by volunteer support, and at the same time dedicated to educating San José residents about the importance of parks. Adopt a Park today!



**(408) 793-4190 • [www.sjadoptapark.org](http://www.sjadoptapark.org)**

**Celebrating 25 Years**



## Santa Visits Alviso

Santa Visits Alviso has been serving the Alviso Community since 1983 and is dedicated to bringing gifts & the Spirit of the Holidays to hundreds of toddlers and teens every year. Santa Visits Alviso is an all volunteer organization & is active year long.

**[rpsantos@scvwd.dst.ca.us](mailto:rpsantos@scvwd.dst.ca.us) • [www.alvisosanta.com](http://www.alvisosanta.com)**



## Friends of the Library Program

District 4 is proud to have two libraries to serve our community. Call today for volunteer opportunities!

**Friends of Alviso Library • (408) 263-3626**

**Friends of Berryessa Library • (408) 808-2181**



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